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OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

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1. [REDACTED] Called Russ Rourke in the office of John O. Marsh, Jr., Counsellor to the President, to alert him to four identical resolutions of inquiry (H.Res. 65, 71, 106, 148) introduced by Representative Elizabeth Holtzman (D., N. Y.). The resolutions would direct the President to supply information on [REDACTED] activities to the House Judiciary Committee. Mr. Rourke was quite interested in these resolutions in spite of the fact they have little chance for success, and thanked me for informing him.

2. [REDACTED] John Swanner, Staff Director, House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, returned my call of last Friday. I inquired about the status of numerous bills before his Committee which would require extensive financial disclosure by Federal employees. Swanner wasn't sure what action would be taken since the bills had been referred jointly to his Committee and the House Judiciary Committee. I expressed our concerns regarding these bills; he seemed most sympathetic and said he would formally ask for our position before the Committee began consideration. Swanner said the Committee was also considering bills which would regulate lobbying and I mentioned we were preparing comments on some Senate lobbying bills (S. 774 and 815), which are before the Senate Government Operations Committee. Swanner asked for our position on those bills and I promised to let him know once they are prepared.

3. [REDACTED] Accompanied Bob Layton, NIO/SEA, to a briefing of a group of House International Relations Committee staff members on the situation in Vietnam. Included in the group were Jack Brady, Jack Sullivan, Mike Van Dusen, George Berdes and Mike Findley. The staffers were most appreciative of Layton's time and asked if he might give them a follow-up briefing next Thursday, 10 April.

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4. [] Delivered for [] AD/DCI/IC, 25X1

a package of information containing the first requests from Senator Frank Church's (D., Ida.) Senate Select Committee to Study Government Operations With Respect to Intelligence Activities to Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel and Staff Director, Senate Armed Services Committee; Guy McConnell, staff, Senate Appropriations Committee and Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, for their information.

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5. [] Delivered to the office of Representative Silvio O. Conte (D., Mass.), a copy of a letter dated 6 March 1975 from General Walters to a professor at Williams College. The original had already been mailed directly to the college and this copy was merely to complete the Congressman's file on the matter.

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6. [] Met with Shay Pollard, on the staff of Representative Les Aspin (D., Wisc.), and provided her with several Middle East maps per her request.

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7. [] Met with Eric Foreman, a Department of Commerce detailee on the staff of Representative Donald W. Riegle, Jr. (D., Mich.), and provided him with a map of the Middle East and a copy of the unclassified January 1975 NIS Fact Book.

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8. [] Spoke with Paul Zinsmeister, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress. He had a number of questions about the availability of Agency personnel manuals for, as he put it, "Senator Church's Select Committee and other committees."

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After checking with [] OP, I advised Zinsmeister that our personnel manuals were classified but that if he wished to pose a specific question in the personnel area we would be very happy to give him an answer. I told him as far as the Church Select Committee is concerned there was a line of communication already established between the Committee and the Agency and any questions should be submitted in that manner. (This committee is the Senate Select Committee to Study Government Operations With Respect to Intelligence Activities.)

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